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5/17	Securicor Radiocoms Ltd.	Secretary	PR 89-552 Use of 220-222 MHz GN 93-252 Regulatory Treatment of Mobile Services PP 93-253 Competitive Bidding

5/17	Cellular Telecommunications Industry- Association	Wireless Telecommunications Bureau  CC 92-115 Public Mobile Services		
5/15	Community Broadcasters Association	Ofc. of Cmsr. Chong	MM 92-266 Cable TV-Rate Regulation CS 96-60 Rate Regulation- Leased Commercial Access	
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5/17	AirTouch Paging	Wireless Telecom- munications Bureau	WT 96-18 Paging Systems
5/16	Sprint	Common Carrier Bureau	CC 96-22 Interstate Rate of Return Prescription Procedure

5/15	Ronda Hauben	Secretary	CC 96-45 Universal Service	
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Re: Market Area Licensing for Paging

Dear Ms. Milkman:

Thank you for taking the time last week to meet with representatives of Arch Communications Group, AirTouch Paging and Westlink Paging to discuss the above item.

Pursuant to your suggestion, we followed up early this week with meetings with all of the other Commissioners' offices. We distributed a summary of our major points at these meetings, a copy of which is attached for your information and review.

Our paging clients continue to be resolute in their conviction that any Commission action preventing them from being able to continue to file and prosecute applications to expand their coverage will have a devastating impact on the industry, and seriously tarnish one of the Commission's shining examples of the benefits of robust competition.

If we can provide any further information to you prior to the sunshine period, please do not hesitate to call.

Very truly yours,

Carl W. Northrop

CWN:yo Attachment Presentation on Market-Area Licensing For Paging

By:

AirTouch Paging Arch Communications Group Westlink Paging

**Date: January 29, 1996** 

## The Paging Industry Is In A Particularly Dynamic Phase Of Its Development.

The Paging Industry is highly competitive and characterized by:

- Multiple, well-financed competitors in every market engaged in aggressive geographic expansion programs.
- Substantial increases in penetration and the number of units in service, with sustained annual growth on an industry-wide basis above 25%.
- Plummeting costs of paging service, with average decreases of average revenue per unit of approximately 10% per year, or more, year after year.
- The rapid introduction by carriers of enhanced and improved services using new technologies on existing and new spectrum.
- Tens of millions of dollars of new investment each year.

The Commission Should Not Impose a Transition Plan That Will Interrupt or Halt This Success Story!

## Making the Transition To Market Area Licensing For Paging Presents Unique Issues That Were Not Present In Other Industry Segments That Made Such a Transition.

- Unlike other services (including 39 GHz) that were being moved to market area licensing, the paging market is relatively well developed and is populated by carriers of long standing with substantial records of public service.
- The paging market has multiple strong competitors in common markets, unlike 800 SMR where most major markets had a single carrier with a dominant channel position, or 220 MHz where licenses have not built systems.
- Unlike 800 SMR, rule changes are not necessary to implement new paging technologies.
- There are no large unlicensed areas, which distinguishes the situation from 900 SMR.
- A paging licensing freeze will not deter speculation, but will harm the industry.
  - Speculation has largely run its course; there is no wide-area spectrum left.
  - Enforcing existing construction and requirements will take care of speculators who have filed "single stick" applications.
  - A freeze would have the unintended effect of increasing the value of holdings of any who have made speculative filings.

## Any Disruption In The Ability Of Paging Licensees To Process Applications For Modifications to 929 MHz and 931 MHz Systems Will Be Devastating.

- Explosive growth has required the development of new systems ahead of schedule.
- Primary wide-area systems are reaching capacity which requires that systems now devoted to local service or travel coverage be expanded substantially in the near term.
  - The natural evolution of broader geographic coverage will be halted and the public will suffer.
- The licensing delays that occurred while the Commission was developing its 931 MHz algorithm have left carriers with urgent needs to modify existing systems.
  - Paging system delays are approaching 15 minutes in some major markets which creates serious public service problems.
- Carriers are in the midst of building extensive national and multi-state regional 929 MHz PCP systems following the relatively recent implementation of earned exclusivity.
  - Competition to existing systems will suffer if ongoing construction programs must stop.
  - Significant construction activity remains for the initially granted systems.

## Competition Will Be Substantially Harmed If System Modifications Cannot be Implemented Quickly.

- Coverage is a major basis of competition. Walling carriers into existing territories, even for a brief period, will do serious competitive harm.
  - The inability to respond promptly to a customer's need for increased coverage, or a competitor's offer of expanded coverage can have immediate adverse competitive consequences.
- Competition will only flourish if carriers are able to match their competitor's coverage.
- The implementation of advanced paging technologies operating at higher baud rates (e.g. Flex technology) requires that transmitters be added to existing systems.
- Increased competition to existing nationwide and multi-state regional systems can only develop if licensing activity continues.

## The Commission's Best Intentions to have Application Freezes be Short Lived Have Proved Unrealistic in the Past.

- Application Freezes in other services have lasted substantial periods of time.
  - The 800 SMR freeze has lasted 1 and 1/2 years.
  - The MMDS freeze lasted over 3 years.
  - The 220 MHz freeze has lasted 4 and 1/2 years.
- Several considerations suggest that this paging rulemaking will require quite some time to resolve.
  - Hundreds of paging companies will be affected, meaning that comments are likely to be extensive.
  - Major differences in the current licensing schemes for 929 MHz, 931 MHz and other (UHF, VHF) paging bands complicate the transition issues
  - Since the industry is not proposing these rule changes, there is no current industry consensus and it will take some time for a consensus to emerge
  - Many important telecommunications dockets will be competing for attention.

## The AirTouch/Arch/Westlink Proposal.

- Continue to process paging applications in the ordinary course.
  - Now that the 931 MHz algorithm has been refined, the Commission should take advantage of the work it has done and use it to expedite licensing.
  - 929 MHz is coordinated, so few Commission resources are needed to license this spectrum.
- Seek to expedite the conclusion of the rulemaking so that market area licensing can be implemented in the near term.
- Proceed with grants of nationwide, regional and local exclusivity based upon current rules (as revised on reconsideration).
  - Carriers should be allowed to complete ongoing construction programs with an element of certainty that they will have the exclusive use of channels which they have earned under the existing rules.

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Re: Notice of Ex Parte Contact WT Docket No. 96-18

Dear Mr. Caton:

On May 14, 1996, Mark Stachiw and Carl Northrop, both representing AirTouch Paging, met with David Furth, Sandra Danner, Mika Savir and Jay Jackson of the Commercial Wireless Division to discuss the permanent licensing procedures under consideration in the above-referenced proceeding regarding the transition to a geographic area licensing scheme for paging services.

The presentation was consistent with the written comments and reply comments filed by AirTouch Paging in the docket on March 18, 1996 and April 2, 1996, respectively.

A hand-out outlining the presentation topics was distributed. A copy is attached.

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Kindly refer any questions in connection with this

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# Permanent Licensing Rules for Paging Systems

(WT Docket No. 96-18)

Many Aspects of the Commission's Proposal to Facilitate the Future Development of Paging Systems Serve the Public Interest and Enjoy Substantial Industry Support

- The current Site-by-Site licensing procedure should be replaced with geographic licensing
- Electronic simultaneous multi-round auctions are the proper licensing mechanism
- Nationwide paging channels should be exempted from the auction
- Meaningful construction benchmarks are appropriate